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Report Highlights:

India's MY 2002 almond imports raised to 27,600 metric tons (shelled basis) and walnut exports up to 18,000 metric tons (in-shell basis).

Includes PSD Changes: Yes
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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Summary

Based on the latest official trade figures from the Directorate General of Commercial, Intelligence and Statistics, Ministry of Commerce, the estimate for walnut exports has been increased to 18,000 metric tons (in-shell basis). The estimate for almond imports has been raised to 27,600 metric tons (shelled basis) based on the official figures and almond shipment estimates from the California Almond Board. MY 2003 walnut production has been revised to 31,000 tons based on information from trade sources. Estimates for consumption and stocks were revised to reflect these changes.

SECTION II – STATISTICAL TABLES

Table 1: Commodity, Almond PSD Table

PSD Table							
Country:	India						
Commodity:	Almonds, Shelled Basis						
		2002		2003		2004	UOM
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	
Market Year Begin		09/2002		09/2003		09/2004	(MONTH/YEAR)
Area Planted	19000	19000	19000	19000	19000	19000	(HA)
Area Harvested	16800	16800	16900	16900	16900	16900	(HA)
Bearing Trees	1050	1050	1100	1100	1100	1100	1000 TREES
Non-Bearing Trees	250	250	200	200	200	200	1000 TREES
Total Trees	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	(1000 TREES)
Beginning Stocks	5000	5000	6400	6700	4400	4700	(MT)
Production	1100	1100	1000	1000	1200	1200	(MT)
Imports	27000	27600	22000	22000	26500	26500	(MT)
TOTAL SUPPLY	33100	33700	29400	29700	32100	32400	(MT)
Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	(MT)
Domestic Consumption	26700	27000	25000	25000	27850	27850	(MT)
Ending Stocks	6400	6700	4400	4700	4250	4550	(MT)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	33100	33700	29400	29700	32100	32400	(MT)

Note: Due to the continued civil strife, Post is unable to visit Jammu and Kashmir. As published information on almonds is limited, the PSD is based on discussions with major almond traders.

Table 2: Commodity, Walnut PSD Table

PSD Table							
Country:	India						
Commodity:	Walnuts, Inshell Basis						
		2002		2003		2004	UOM
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	
Market Year Begin		10/2002		10/2003		10/2004	(MONTH/YEAR)
Area Planted	36500	36500	36500	36500	36600	36600	(HA)
Area Harvested	30200	30200	30500	30500	30500	30500	(HA)
Bearing Trees	1307	1307	1310	1320	1320	1320	1000 TREES
Non-Bearing Trees	265	265	265	255	255	255	1000 TREES
Total Trees	1572	1572	1575	1575	1575	1575	(1000 TREES)
Beginning Stocks	4550	4550	3550	3050	2550	2550	(MT)
Production	32000	32000	30000	31000	33000	33000	(MT)
Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0	(MT)
TOTAL SUPPLY	36550	36550	33550	34050	35550	35550	(MT)
Exports	17000	18000	15000	15000	17000	17000	(MT)
Domestic Consumption	16000	15500	16000	16500	16500	16500	(MT)
Ending Stocks	3550	3050	2550	2550	2050	2050	(MT)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	36550	36550	33550	34050	35550	35550	(MT)

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